## Title 4-Department of Economic Development Division 340-Division of Energy

Chapter 2- Energy Set-Aside Fund

## IN ADDITION

**Notification**: Applications accepted between July 1, 2014 and October 31, 2014 for Energy-Efficiency and Renewable Energy Loan Cycle.

The Missouri Department of Economic Development's (department) Division of Energy is making available approximately seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) in loan financing for qualified energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. Energy-saving investments may include projects such as insulation, lighting systems, heating and cooling systems, combined heat and power, pumps, motors, aerators, renewable energy systems and other measures that reduce energy use and cost. Recipients repay loans with money saved on energy costs.

**Eligible Energy-Using Sectors**: Loan funds will be allocated to eligible energy-using sectors as follows:

- Public Schools (K-12): twenty-five percent (25%) of available funds;
- Public and Private Higher Education Institutions: twenty-five percent (25%) of available funds;
- Public and Private not-for-profit Hospitals: twenty-five percent (25%) of available funds;
- Local Governments: twenty-five percent (25%) of available funds. Local
  governments include a county, city, or village (which may include water treatment
  plants or waste water facilities); or any hospital district as defined in section
  206.010, RSMo; or any sewer district as defined in section 249.010, RSMo; or
  any water supply districts as defined in section 247.010, RSMo; or any
  ambulance district as defined in section 190.010, RSMo; or any sub-district of a
  zoological park and museum district as defined in section 184.352, RSMo.

**Application Procedures**: An application for loan funds may be submitted to the department for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the cost of implementing an energy-saving project.

Each applicant may apply for a loan not to exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000). Loan applications will not be considered for less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or with a payback score of less than six (6) months.

If funds remain after review and priority ranking of applications, the department will consider awarding loans in excess of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000).

Requests for loan financing must be made using the Division of Energy's Energy Loan Program Application Authorization Form, Fuel Use Summary Form, and Energy Conservation Measure Summary Form. Application forms and instructions are available on the department's website: http://www.ded.mo.gov/division-of-energy/financial/energy-loan-program.

The Application Authorization Form must be signed and dated by an authorized official. An authorized official is an individual with authority to obligate an eligible applicant to the terms of loan agreement and promissory note to repay loan proceeds.

A paper or electronic copy of the signed original Application Authorization Form and required documents may be submitted to the department's address below.

Applications received after October 31, 2014 will not be considered for a loan award for the 2015 cycle but may be held for consideration during subsequent application cycles.

The department may request additional information as needed to determine the feasibility of a project, the project's estimated annual energy savings and financial risks of a loan transaction. Also, an energy conservation measure has the potential of affecting other areas within your facility or system. Applicants must have no outstanding actions for violations of applicable federal, state, or local laws, ordinances, and rules.

**Interest Rates**: Loan principal plus two and one half percent (2.5%) interest is to be repaid to the department in semi-annual payments not to exceed a ten- (10-) year repayment period. An administrative fee of one percent (1%) of loan principal will be added to the repayment amount.

**Selection Criteria**: Recipients of loan financing will be determined on a competitive basis. Applications will be ranked based on the project's payback score, which is determined by dividing the cost to implement a project by the estimated yearly energy cost savings. Projects with the lowest payback score in each sector allocation will be funded until all available funds are allocated. If all funds are not allocated in any one (1) sector after ranking payback scores, the department may allocate funds to other sectors. Loan applications will be approved or disapproved by January 29, 2015.

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